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Press Release

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# ENECHANGE EV Charging Service introduced at Kusatsu Onsen, Gunma EV charging spots are available for both overnight guests and Kusatsu Onsen visitors

ENECHANGE Ltd. is pleased to announce that it has installed one regular charger with two ports as part of its ENECHANGE EV Charging Service, which allows charging on a pay-as-you-go basis, at Kusatsu Onsen-ryokan Eidaya (Gunma Prefecture). This is the first installation in Gunma.



ENECHANGE EV Charging Service charging station installed at Kusatsu Onsen-ryokan Eidaya

#### **■**Background and Objectives

The ENECHANGE EV Charging Service focuses on destination charging: charging at locations where drivers may spend several hours and want to have a top-up charge, such as golf courses and other leisure facilities, as well as universities and other educational facilities.

Kusatsu Onsen-ryokan Eidaya, which has recently introduced the ENECHANGE EV Charge, is a hot spring inn that opened in August 2016 after renovating a 50+ year old therapeutic bathhouse. In recent years, the number of guests travelling here by EV has been increasing, and the inn has often received requests to charge their vehicles, which led to the introduction of the system. The "ENECHANGE EV Charge" is open not only to guests of the inn but also to Kusatsu Onsen tourists, and Eidaya hopes to make Kusatsu Onsen a more convenient place for tourists to charge their EVs.

The number of EVs and PHVs per 10,000 people in Gunma Prefecture is 25.3, ranking 13th in Japan\*. We anticipate that this will help enhance convenience for EV drivers by allowing them to use the time they spend at the ryokan as a chance to charge, as well as improving convenience for local EV drivers.

\* Calculated by ENECHANGE based on the Next Generation Vehicle Promotion Center's "Subsidy Grant Status by Prefecture," the number of EV and PHV subsidies granted (FY 2009-2020), and population estimates for October 2020.

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### ≪Location≫

Facility Name	Location	Number of EV charging spots installed (unit)
Kusatsu Onsen-ryokan Eidaya	464-285 Kusatsu-Oaza, Kusatsu-cho, Agatsuma-gun, Gunma	1





Source: Eidaya

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#### «Charger Overview»

Hours of Use	24/7
Installed model	<ul> <li>Model 1</li> <li>Maximum output: 6kW *capable of charging at twice the speed of ordinary 3 kW chargers</li> <li>Connector: Type 1 standard, usable with all EVs and PHVs *Tesla requires a conversion adapter</li> <li>Voltage: 200V (AC)</li> <li>Charging cable length: approx. 5 m</li> </ul>

#### ■ About ENECHANGE EV Charging Service

The ENECHANGE EV Charging service allows installation of EV charging facilities at minimal upfront cost, making it ideal for charging at public locations such as commercial facilities, lodging facilities, and other public destinations. To improve convenience for EV drivers, we promote the development of domestic EV charging infrastructure by providing EV charger hardware, applications for users, and charging management systems for site hosts.

ENECHANGE EV Charging Service website: <a href="https://ev-charge.enechange.jp/">https://ev-charge.enechange.jp/</a>\* Japanese Only

#### ■ About ENECHANGE Ltd.

ENECHANGE is an energy technology company that promotes a carbon-free society through digital technology with the mission of Changing Energy For A Better World. We offer services based on data utilization in the field of the 4Ds of Energy: Deregulation, Digitalization, Decarbonization, and Decentralization. Our company's roots come from an energy data lab at the University of Cambridge, U.K., a country where liberalization is mature. ENECHANGE has a British subsidiary, SMAP Energy Limited, as well as a global network and analytical technology for energy data.

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